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DEPARTMENT PASS TO EDMONDSON

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: PFOR, RH, UK

SUBJECT: RHODESIA: RICHARD'S PLANS

1. TONY DUFF INFORMED EMBASSY OFFICER JANUARY 17 THAT RICHARD WILL NOW PROCEED TO CAPETOWN TO MEET WITH VORSTER, POSSIBLY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON. RICHARD WILL GIVE VORSTER A COPY OF THE NEW BRITISH PAPER AND THEN GO ON TO SALISBURY WHERE HE WILL DELIVER THE SAME PAPER TO SMITH AND MUZOREWA. SIMULTANEOUSLY, THE PAPER WILL BE GIVEN TO NKOMO, MUGABE, AND SITHOLE WHEREVER THEY HAPPEN TO BE. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, THE PRESIDENTS WILL RECEIVE A COPY.

2. RICHARD'S FAILURE TO MEET WITH THE PATRIOTIC FRONT OVER THE WEEKEND WAS CAUSED BY DELAYS IN OBTAINING CALLAGHAN'S APPROVAL FOR THE BRITISH PAPER, DUFF SAID, NOT BY ANY NEW SURPRISE ON NKOMO'S PART. THE CONFUSION AMONG THE PARTIES HAS NOW BEEN CLEARED UP. THE FOREIGN OFFICE WOULD HAVE PREFERRED TO DISCUSS THE PAPER WITH AT LEAST ONE BLACK DELEGATION--ESPECIALLY THE PATRIOTIC FRONT--BEFORE SHOWING IT TO VORSTER OR SMITH, BUT ITS INABILITY TO MEET WEEKEND'S DEADLINE LEFT RICHARD WITH  
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THE PROSPECT OF ELEVEN DAYS' IDLENESS IN NAIROBI.

3. RICHARD MAY SPEND AS MUCH AS THREE DAYS IN SALISBURY.

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SEE OTHER INTERESTED GROUPS IN THE CAPITAL AND PERHAPS IN OTHER TOWNS IN RHODESIA PROVIDING ALL THE SESSIONS HAVE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT APPROVAL. RICHARD'S PLANS ARE

NOT CLEAR BEYOND THIS WEEKEND.

4. DUFF SAID THERE HAD BEEN SOME MINOR CHANGES IN THE  
BRITISH PAPER WHICH HE WILL COMMUNICATE TO US SHORTLY.

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CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION TO FOLLOW.

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